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## Man Charged with Capital Murder of Father, Two Unrelated Victims

A 36-year-old man has been charged with killing his father, a carjacking victim and a third unrelated victim, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Juan Roberto Saucedo (dob 10/7/80) of Culver City faces three counts of murder with special circumstance allegations of murder in the commission of carjacking, murder in the commission of kidnapping and multiple murders.

Deputy District Attorney Allyson Ostrowski said Saucedo also is charged with two counts of attempted murder and one count of shooting at an inhabited dwelling.

The criminal complaint further alleges the defendant inflicted great bodily injury upon the attempted murder victims and that a handgun was used. The criminal complaint includes allegations that Saucedo was convicted of carjacking in 2001 and criminal threats in 2009.

Saucedo pleaded not guilty to the charges today and is scheduled to appear on Feb. 21, 2018, in Department 5 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Torrance Branch. Case YA096809 was filed on Sept. 6.

On Sept. 3, the defendant allegedly got into an argument with his father, Robert Saucedo, 67, and his father's girlfriend at their residence. Juan Saucedo is charged with shooting both of them, killing Robert Saucedo and severely injuring the girlfriend, the prosecutor said.

The defendant is then alleged to have fled the house and carjack Jesus Estevez Martinez, 27, who was driving nearby. The defendant allegedly forced Martinez to drive him to Lennox before fatally shooting him. From there, Juan Saucedo is charged with going into another residence and fatally shooting Arturo Canela Pulido, 47, the prosecutor added.

Following that shooting, the defendant allegedly shot into an occupied dwelling before shooting a man driving by as he attempted to carjack the man, the prosecutor said.

Juan Saucedo faces the death penalty or life in prison without the possibility if convicted as charged.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's and Los Angeles Police Departments.

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